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Title of Invention Necklace/Bracelet Extender

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

0001 The invention includes easily manufactured and assembled parts which when arranged together make wearable jewelry that ordinarily could not be worn

0002 If the short chain and the large chain are equipped with different-sized O rings and findings on each end then the bracelet or necklace now fits and becomes a useful piece of jewelry

RESPONSE TO OBJECTIONS TO THE CLAIM AND DISTINCTIONS FROM THE CITED CASES

Flaherty

The application was objected to because of Flaherty

Flaherty is an invention which describes its function as a multi-strand necklace creating necklaces having different ornamental appearance;
the drawings show the attaching findings as an O ring and a rod or a hook –shaped finding
the piece of jewelry is not altered in length by the invention in Flaherty

The invention in Flaherty is distinguished from this invention:

this invention is a single strand necklace modifier
there is no attachment in this system for several necklaces
the connecting findings are not a rod or a hook shaped finding
the invention in Flaherty does not extend the length of a piece of jewelry as this system does

Two other cases were referred for consideration as similar to the proposed system.

Johnson et al.

this case discloses an invention of a specific type of necklace made of safety pins and beads
the disclosure in Johnson et al. describes the closure as suitable clasp members

The invention in Johnson et al. is distinguished from this invention